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Legislative

Correspondence regarding postal concession to the non-official members of the Legislative Council.

* 1274 Q.—Mr. D. NARAYANA RAJU : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government will be pleased to place on the table the correspondence that passed between them and the Government of India regarding the postal concession for the non-official members of the Council; and

(b) whether the Government are aware that the non-official members have often to address the Government for the proper discharge of their duties and whether the Government have considered the need for granting postal concession to cover such cases?

A.—(a) A copy of the correspondence [a] between this Government and the Government of India on the subject is appended.

(b) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the orders in G.O. No. 1631 W., dated 29th July 1927, a copy of which was communicated to all non-official members.

Motor Vehicles Act

New ordinance regarding motor traffic in Ceylon.

* 1275 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the new ordinance regarding motor traffic in Ceylon published in August last has attracted the attention of the Government;

(b) whether the suggestions of the Madras City Corporation Committee regarding city motor traffic have been brought to the notice of the Government;

(c) whether, in view of the phenomenal growth of motor traffic and the increase of fatalities therefrom, the Government propose to modify the Madras Motor Vehicles Rules, 1923, and also the Madras Motor-Cab Rules, 1921, in the light of the new ordinance regarding motor traffic in Ceylon; and

(d) whether the Government have considered the necessity of publishing an up-to-date edition of "Madras Motor Vehicles Rules" and "Madras Motor-Cab Rules" with forms thereunder and if so, when they propose to publish it?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) No.

(c) The rules are perpetually under the scrutiny of Government and are being modified and amended from time to time. The provisions of the new ordinance in Ceylon will be borne in mind.

(d) The question of reprinting the Madras Motor Vehicles Rules will be considered.

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[a] Printed as Appendix II on pages 96–97 infra.